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"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself hath said---'EMPRESS'"

Board of Trade Annual Meeting and Banquet

Officers Elected for 1915, and First Annual Banquet Proves Good Success

Over forty members were present at the annual meeting of the Empress Board of Trade held Thursday last, January 14. The meeting was practically confined to the election of new officers. Officers elected were—President, F. H. Pearce; Vice-Pres. R. M. Henderson; Secy., Treas. J. M. Waggett; and a council board of six members.

The members then adjourned to the Empress hotel where dinner was laid for about eighty guests; every seat being occupied. After the splendid repast for which every credit is due the management for the up-to-date way in which it was carried out, a chorus "O Canada" was sung by all present. A splendid toast list had been arranged by the committee and speeches given were very good, more especially those of the Revs. J. M. Waggett and H. L. Gwyer, while R. M. Henderson read some appropriate booster lines on the Board of Trade.

A big factor in the evening's enjoyment was some well rendered comic songs by Mr. Wm. Horne, who it seemed could not sing enough to satisfy the audience. Monologues by F. D. Abbott, laughter producing songs by Mr. F. Cuthard and a good song by Rev. J. M. Waggett. The musical accompaniment by Messrs. A. E. Franklin and C. E. Sexton, violin, were of the very best.

During the evening it was announced by the Chairman, that it was proposed to hold a Board of Trade entertainment on March the 17th.

It was nearing the early hour of 2:30 a.m. that the final toast was given and what must be termed a highly successful banquet was brought to a fitting conclusion by the singing of "God Save The King."

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends in Social Plain and Empress for the sincere help and sympathy extended to us during our hour of need of such. Trusting they will all accept this grateful appreciation of their successful efforts on our behalf, we are, faithfully,

Mr. and Mrs. B. Kreller

Burner has it that Mr. Albert Keith who left a short time back for the East on business is to return shortly. We are informed that he will be accompanied.

PROGRAM
Satur'dy Night's Show
at Grand Theatre

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The Land of Dead Things**THE JOY****PATRIOTIC SONG: "FOR KING AND COUNTRY"****HIDDEN TREASURE RANCH WEDDING WRITE-UP****FATTY JOINS THE FORCES**

The Best Show Yet

Leaders From Leland

January 16th.

Have you broken those New Years Resolutions yet? Never mind, tomorrow brings a brand new day. Start again.

Don McCallum, of Mantario, was down last week and bought six head of cattle from B. G. Sarvis.

On the night of January 19th a dance will be given at the home of Mr. Neil McLeod. All are invited.

Mr. Erhardt, who is seriously ill, was taken in to Medicine Hat Monday last, where he will receive medical attention.

Mr. Stanley Ferguson, from Carchelon, was an arrival this week at Bindloss and will spend some time on his homestead here.

Mr. Walter Czerwinski and Miss Olive Savris went across the Saskatchewan river Thursday and returned Friday afternoon.

Mr. Wm. Tapscott, of Sandy Point, rode across the Saskatchewan and spent a couple of days last week at the Sarvis home.

Out here where there are no circus posters to study a correspondent finds it hard to keep in a stock of adjectives, but the war news as published by some papers affords a very good substitute.

A most enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ferris Friday evening of last week. Leland's young people were the participants and all present declare they had the time of their lives.

The canine population was diminished to the extent of three head this week, when three valuable dogs belonging to H. C. Cotter and Perry Phillips partook of some poisoned meat that was put out for coyotes.

Please do not come to the writers and complain with "tears in your voice" that you haven't seen your name in the paper. We have been taking up so much space that we believe that even now the editors must be contemplating a sale of that paper to the Leland correspondents.

The motto used by the great Abraham Lincoln throughout his life which reads "Be sure you're right, then go ahead" has been selected by the Sunday School as a guide board for 1915. It will be remembered by those who have read "The Harvest," by Gen. Stratton Porter, that it was used also by the hero of that novel.

A meeting of the U.P.A. organization was held at A. L. Lindsey's Wednesday night. A literary program was put on consisting of music readings, etc., after which a luncheon was served. About forty people were present. The success of the meeting insures a bigger and better one which will be held in about a month. Among those in attendance were Grec, Robson and J. Cusack from Empress.

A number of young people launched an organization Friday night on the order of a

GOVERNMENT RELIEF

We have had handed to us by Mr. J. Cusack, the Government Relief agent here, a letter and a circular received from the Commissioner at Medicine Hat.

The letter and circular deal with the giving out of relief. We reprint the more important parts trusting that they may be of help and interest to our readers.—Taken from circular.

"When the Government decided last September to grant certain relief to the homesteaders in this district it was estimated that a certain amount would be sufficient to meet all requirements from the time it started till next year's crop was assured. You can well imagine the consternation it must have caused the Government to realize that on November 30, more than four times the amount of the estimate had been used up:

"For your guidance, I submit that the next provision orders should be for amounts from \$15 to \$35 or \$40 at the utmost for three months provisions. For instance a family of two, \$15, three \$20, four \$25, five \$30 and so on. In some cases you can give much less than these amounts . . . in no case give more than 20% of sugar to an applicant." A homesteader who has received provisions before now cannot get another order now. Homesteaders who have not received orders before will only get relief in certain cases where you think they are entitled to special consideration and in such cases the application together with a report must be sent to me by you and I will give you a ruling on the case by return mail.

"The only chance we have for a continuance of this relief is to have the agent cut down every order to the lowest possible amount and to grant relief only to those who cannot get along without it. With the aid of new applications and reduced provision lists, I think we can do this."

Even letter which is dated later, "That during the month of January relief must be given under the following conditions: that the amount of provision and fuel not more than \$35 applicants who have received relief not more than \$10, and either cease the orders to be granted or do not do so in the manner in which they are given."

That no agent under any circumstance will be allowed to give an order for animal feed, that no animal which is not in one with the other household will not be taken into account.

"P.S. You will still issue my check at your point according to previous instructions.

Literary Club. The officers elected were: Ewart Sarvis, president; Walter Czerwinski, vice-president; Fred, Munro, secretary-treasurer. A committee was appointed to arrange for a program to be given at the next meeting, which will be January 22nd. Other committees will be appointed at that time, including the selection of a name for the club. Everybody invited to attend.

pass with the former. Now is the time to sign a Reserve Fund and the Savings Department of the Union Bank of Canada is the place to keep it.

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Defeated With Honour

The Empress Tigers Lose to Cabri in Well Contested Game

A good surprise was in store for all who witnessed the hockey game between the Empress Tigers and the Cabri team on the local ice on Friday last. The showing of the local team against their heavier and apparently older opponents must have been particularly pleasing to the home team supporters.

The game was fast throughout and good clean hockey was played by both teams. The visitors are a good bunch and nobody begrimed their win: the final score was 5 to 2.

The score read 2 to 2 up to the last 20 minutes and our boys till then had quite as much of the game as their opponents despite the fact that Mundell had received a bad hit in the mouth at the beginning of the game and been鲜血ly a passenger.

By mutual understanding it was agreed to discontinue play for a minute at this point perhaps that little extra time in no way harking back to their manner to their score thereby winning the game.

Praise is due to every member of our team for all did well especially so to D. Aston for the good example he set to his men by his aggressive play.

The following was the line-up of the teams:

EMPRESS CABRI

A.M. Bellie Goal J. Keyes

B. Parker Point J. Backus

M.A. McColl C. Point MacIntyre

Ferguson Rover J. Shultz

Aston Defense H. Jones

Mundell Right W. R. Tylin

The Empress Gas Co.

The meeting announced by the Revs. Dr. McEachern for the purpose of meeting F. Ogletree and Dr. Wm. Robertson at the Grand Theatre Tuesday, January 10 for the purpose of going into details regarding the Empress Gas Co. was not productive of that grand appearance which might have been expected from the meeting.

At about 8:45 p.m. the Reeve mounting the platform addressed a few opening words to those present. He then called attention to the fact that he had fulfilled his promise but that neither of his opponents, Dr. Wm. Robertson nor Mr. F. Ogletree were present.

He alluded cursorily to certain animosities—going on to say that he was willing to answer any question anyone present might choose to ask in regard to his connection with the Gas Co., and that he would cherish no ill-will towards the questioner on that behalf he preferred having things told to him face to face. He concluded by stating that it was a habit of Mr. F. Ogletree to make a bluff and then steal away in the dark.

After the meeting we were shown the last petition circulated by Mr. F. Ogletree which had been signed by practically all business men here—57 ratepayers in all.

In connection with the above we have been informed that Mr. F. Ogletree is now in Toronto and Dr. Wm. Robertson was engaged in a law case at Saskatoon the first of the week.

Lunch Left W. McCarter
J. Black, referee N. Allison,
judge play

The return game will take

Broomball

All Stars Gain Victory Over Sunbeams

One of the fiercest and exciting battles in the annals of the history of Empress took place on the local ice here on Wednesday evening January 20th, when Capt. Schank, of the All Stars, led his men out and Capt. Gwyer, of the Sunbeams, was led on to the ice by his men to do battle at broomball. The Sunbeams came the match by virtue of a few goals scored, but it seems that by a previous arrangement between Captains Schank and Gwyer that unless the Sunbeams scored six goals more than the Fats the victory should go to the fat men.

The strenuous and exciting efforts and contortions of the eminent Professors and Doctors participating in the game, was certainly worth seeing; the struggle alone to be remembered.

The Leans scored 5 goals to none for the Fats; but Capt. Schank claimed the game on account of his previous arrangement with Capt. Buster Gwyer

game on Jan. 26, Tuesday, and arrangements are trying to be made for a special train for this day.

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FRIDAY, JAN. 22nd, 1915

R. M. of Mantario, No. 262

The council met at E. J. Little's
on January 1st, with Reeve Rivers and Councillors
Paul, Sawyer, Kinch, Sargent and Ardell present.

The Reeve and Councillors
signed the declaration of office.

Minutes of meeting held Dec.
1 were read and confirmed.

Paul—That the Reeve and
Secretary be and hereby are
authorized to sign a note for
\$1722.50 at 10% int. payable to
the Canada Ingot Iron Culvert Co.,
for balance of account owing.

Amendment by Sargent—
That in lieu of signing the
above note the sec. write the
Canada Ingot Iron Culvert Co.,
explaining that they misunderstood
our letter of Dec. 16th, that we are
still of the opinion that 10% is
an excessive rate of interest,
and we ask them therefore if they
could not accept a note for
the balance owing at 8%
rate of interest.

Vote on amendment: Yes—

Sargent, Ardell, Sawyer, Rivers,
Kinch, Nays—Paul. Carried.

Ardell—That the auditor's report
for 1914, interim statement,
be adopted. Carried.

Ardell—That the Reeve and
Sec. be and hereby are authorized
to sign renewal notes to the
Union Bank, Alsask, for
the amount of the two notes
due, which are for \$2000 and
\$1000 respectively. Carried.

Ardell—That Councilor Sargent
be appointed deputy reeve for
the first three months of
1915. Carried.

Ardell—That the Reeve, Deputy
Reeve and Sec. be authorized
to sign for and in the name of
the Municipality to transact
any business with the said bank
or any other bank, trust
company, or other securities from time
to time; to borrow money from
the Union Bank of Canada
either by overdrawing the
account of the undersigned or
for the name or on behalf of the
said municipality to transact
with the said bank any business
they may think fit; also that
the aforesaid or any one of
them be and are hereby authorized
on behalf of the said
municipality to negotiate with,
deposit with, or transfer to the
said bank (but for the credit of
the said municipal account only)
all or any bills of exchange,
promissory notes,
cheques or orders for the payment
of money and other negotiable
paper and for the said
purpose to endorse the same or
any of them on behalf of the
said municipality; also from
time to time to arrange, settle
balance and certify all books
and accounts between the said
municipality and the bank and
to receive all paid cheques and
vouchers and to sign the bank

forms of settlement of balances
and release. Carried.

Ardell—That Councillor Paul
be a committee to investigate
the account of St. Paul's hospital
against Patrick Shay and
that the sec. notify the hospital
to that effect. Carried.

Ardell—That Nurse Brown's
bill for \$28 for care of Mrs. I.
Borts be paid and charged
against the land of I. Borts and
that Dr. Whaley's bill for services
in the same case be reserved
for further consideration.
Carried.

Paul—That E. J. Little's bill
for \$13 for balance of salary
due and for rent of house Jan.
4th be paid. Carried.

Paul—That Mr. Sargent's ac-
count for \$43.30 for auditing
and preparing the interim
statement be paid. Carried.

Ardell—That the bylaw to
repeal the Hall Insurance Bylaw
be given its third reading and
finally passed and signed. Car.

Paul—That all cheques payable
to ratepayers who owe
taxes to the municipality be
issued on the condition that the
amounts be applied on payment
of taxes. Carried.

Ardell—That this council re-
commend John Battie, of Josephine,
to the Minister of Municipal Affairs,
as a proper person to appoint to represent
Division No. 3 as a Councillor. Car.

Sargent—That S. E. Spicer, of
Alsask, be appointed municipal
auditor for 1915 at a salary of
\$10 per audit and \$6 for making
out financial statement. Car.

Rivers—That Edward Kinch
be authorized by this council to
open the safe and be allowed \$5
per day for time spent hauling
safe and \$2.50 per day for time

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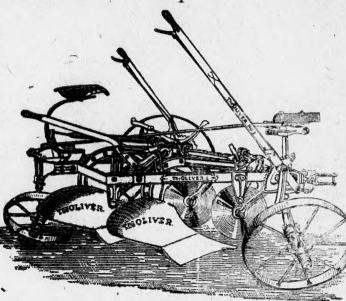
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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Masquerade Ball, Feb. 15
Mr. N. A. Freud, of Estuary, was a visitor to Empress on Friday last.

Mr. H. J. Dennis and F. D. Abbott left for Calgary on Wednesday.

Rev. H. L. Gwyer made a business trip to Swift Current on Tuesday.

Royal Household Flour, see us. We have the agency, McElroy & Robson.

The hockey team are holding a supper, to-morrow, Saturday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Inspector T. M. Shochotham, R.N.W.M.P., Medicine Hat, was an Empress visitor on Wednesday.

WANTED — Single driving and saddle pony, well broken and tame. Enquire for publications at "Express" office.

Mr. F. B. Chisholm, was an Empress visitor this week, proceeding on to Edmonton, to the University there where he will take up the position of instructor in housing.

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Others who made the journey to here with the Cabri team on Friday last were W. O. Scott, President, R. E. Ruthven Sec-Treas., and R. Fines, who acted as goal umpire.

Word has been received that Asst. Commissioner Z. T. Wood, R.N.W.M.P., Regina is dead. It is reported that Supt. J. O. Wilson, K. Div., Lethbridge, will most likely succeed Mr. Wood.

W. A. Mathers, Div. Supt. Medicine Hat, and A. H. Shannon, Gen. Supt. Calgary, C.P.R., travelled with the train of Wednesday last from Bassano to Empress, for general inspection purposes.

Messrs. J. W. Kennedy, H. Ferguson, Frank Kennedy, L. Shannon and Dave Shannon were in town on Monday in connection with arrangements for the Ranchers' Ball which is to be held on Friday, January 29th.

There will be no service at the Union Church Sunday next January 24, on account of the absence of the minister. On the Sunday following will be rendered a musical service entitled, "Uncle Tom's Cabin." Usual hour 7:30 p.m.

Father Russell who has been confined to the hospital since having his feet frost bitten while lost all night in a snow storm, when driving to Alsask with Carl Frenzel is improving. He hopes to be able to hold service in Empress on Sunday, February 1.

The Rev. J. M. Waggett left on Wednesday for Edmonton where he will attend the moral and temperance convention dealing with the total prohibition campaign. The convention meets on Thursday and Friday, Jan. 21 and 22.

The Schuster family will gather at the home of the mother of Miss Eva Schuster in Buell avenue. There will be a company of thirty-five and among these will be Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schuster and family, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schuster and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Schuster and family all of Alberta. Mr. and Mrs. Burton Forquharson and the Misses Burt and Ann Schuster. With these sons and daughters will be Great Grandma Enders, who last May celebrated her one hundredth birthday anniversary.

sary, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Folman and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Urman — Times, Joliet, Ill., U.S.A. [The Grandma Enders mentioned is the mother of W. J. Enders.

Messrs. F. Lamb, E. and H. McCune, R. Bishop, Miss Davis, Mr. and Mrs. F. Botoford, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Belvie, Mrs. Kiel and Mrs. R. McDonald, constituted a party which went from here on Wednesday to take in the dance at Vandyne to be held there that night. They stopped at the Kennedy Ranch home for supper.

R. M. of Mantario, No. 262

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taken in order for the municipality to acquire title to land taken up for a reservoir on the NW of sec. 24, tp. 26, r. 27, w. 3. Carried.

Ardell—That the Reeve and sec-treas. be hereby appointed to negotiate with the Union Bank, Alsask, with a view to obtaining advances for the purpose of financing schools. Carried.

Ardell—That the offices of sec-treas. and assessor be combined at a fixed salary of \$800 per annum.

Moved in amendment by Paul —That the offices of sec-treas. and assessor be combined and that the sum of \$800 per annum be paid.

Vote on amendment: Yes—Kinosh, Paul and Sawyer; Nays—Rivers, Ardell and Sergeant. Amendment lost.

Vote on motion: Rivers—Rivers, Sergeant, Ardell; Nays—Kinosh, Paul, Sawyer. Motion lost.

Rivers—That the question of appointing a sec-treas. and assessor and fixing salary for same be laid over until the next meeting. Carried.

Reeve Rivers gave notice of intention to introduce a Pound Bylaw and a Pound Bylaw at the next meeting in February. Carried.

Ardell—That Counsellor Sergeant be authorized to fence a reservoir on the NW of sec. 24, tp. 26, r. 27, w. 3, with any of the fences defined as lawful in the Municipal Act. Carried.

Sawyer—That the Reeve and Councillors be allowed mileage at the rate of 10 cents per mile each way for distance travelled in attending council meetings and that the sum of \$2 per day be paid for attendance at meetings. Carried.

Rivers—That the Council pass a resolution urging upon the Board of Highway Commissioners the necessity of putting in a ferry across the Saskatchewan River at a suitable point opposite Estuary or as near to that point as possible. Carried.

Rivers—That next meeting of the Council be held at E. J. Little's, 30-26-27, on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd, 10 a.m. Carried.

Paul—That this Council do now adjourn.

R. Stanley Boag, sec.

R. M. of Acadia, No. 241

The first meeting of the 1915 Council of the Rural Municipality of Acadia, No. 241, was held in the Acadia Valley Hall on Monday, the 11th Jan., with Councillors Hallman, Ruley, Hodge, Best, McLeod and Francis present.

Councillor Francis was unanimously appointed Reeve.

Reeve Francis on taking the chair in a few suitable words thanked the Council for the appointment, then called on the other Councillors for remarks.

The Councillors took the stand that it would be their policy to retrench in the way of expenditures and that rigid economy consistent with efficiency would be the watchword.

of the 1915 Council.

The following officials were appointed to office: W. H. Peter, auditor; D. M. Graham, sec-treas., and assessor at a salary of seven hundred dollars.

The appointment of medical health officer, pound keepers, weed inspectors and standing committees were tabled to be taken up at next meeting.

Notice was given that at the

next regular meeting an amendment to the Head Tax bill would be brought up.

All regular meetings of the Council will be held in the Acadia Valley Hall the first Monday in each month at 10:30 o'clock.

Council then adjourned to meet the first Monday in February at 10:30 o'clock.

D. M. Graham, sec-treas.



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